"LO" AT THE PHONE.

Any of His Tribesmen Will Do to Answer His Call.

The Indians are great on using the telephone. They have but little or no use for the local boards, their calls being over the long distance. They do not put in a call for the individual. They do not ask for White Eagle at Canton or Flying Cloud at Darlington. The call is for "any Cheyenne." The same is true as to the Arapahoes. Any member of the tribe serves.

An Indian puts in a call for any member of his tribe at Canton, Darlington, Colony, Lawton or any point. It is "up to" the manager to go out on the street and pick up an Indian. Any one will do, so he is of the tribe asked for. He is put up to the phone and the talk proceeds. The talk being in Indian, no one knows what it is about.

If an Indian, say, in Clinton wants to reach one of his people, say, forty miles from Canton or any other given point, he calls for one of his tribesmen, tells him the message he desires delivered, and it is his business to deliver it, even though it requires a night trip and in a storm.

A little Indian baby died near Clinton last year, and his mother desired that her relatives attend the funeral services. They lived out on the prairie northwest of Canton. The telephone was used and a member of the tribe directed to deliver the message to the mother's relatives. It was delivered by a courier across the prairies and canyons, and the relatives came in over the Orient next day.

Last summer a call came to Clinton for a Kiowa that was a poser for the manager. However, he found upon inquiry among the Cheyennes that there was one who had lived among the Kiowas and spoke the dialect. He was put up to the phone and received the call.—Clinton Cor. Dallas News.

Seedless Grapes.

What's become of the "coreless" apple? Twenty years ago it was announced as a discovery or a development calculated to revolutionize the orchard industry. Of late we hear less about it. A little later the "thornless" blackberry appeared on the horizon. It certainly was thornless, but somehow it failed to drive the ferociously armed brambles of the berry gardens into the desert. It is still produced, but the older kinds are yet much more common. Now the "seedless" grape bids for favor. Such a fruit would surely "meet a long felt want." If the quality and flavor of the few thus far grown can be perpetuated and it proves remuneratively productive and capable of "standing up" for shipment there is a big future before it.—Country Life In America.

Camille Flammarion's Home.

M. Flammarion, with his wife, who, by the way, is also a keen thinker and her husband's constant assistant, lives in a chateau at Juvisy, built right on the spot chosen by Louis XIII. to erect a royal residence. Besides being an admirable housewife, Mme. Flammarion is one of the charter members of the Disarmament league. Before Louis XIII. cast his eyes on the place there was a chateau there. Napoleon stayed in it on his way to Fontainebleau. The mansion was acquired later by an amateur astronomer, who had an observatory constructed on the grounds. When he died he bequeathed the entire property to a man whom he had never seen. This man was Camille Flammarion.—"Memoirs of Loie Fuller" in New York Herald.

To Stop Hiccough.

Dr. Louis Hollipinski reports the arrest of persistent hiccough by depressing the tongue. A patient was attacked by hiccough which had persisted for four days before being seen by the doctor. He complained of the fullness in his throat, a condition which he thought the result of the hiccough. He was directed to sit up, and with a large spoon handle the tongue was pressed down and back with steady force to allow inspection of the fauces. Firm pressure on the tongue with the hope of further noting the action of the palatal muscles was continued, when, to the doctor's surprise and the patient's astonishment and joy, the hiccough ceased. When the hiccough returned the patient himself stopped it by using the spoon handle.—London Express.

The Flat Wheel.

The enormous energy developed by a flat spot in a wheel has been estimated by Professor Hancock of Purdue university. He finds that a flat spot two and one-half inches long on a thirty-three inch wheel, carrying a load of 6,000 pounds at thirty miles per hour, will deliver a blow to the rail of more than 1,000 foot pounds. The same flat wheel supporting a fifty-five ton interurban car running sixty miles per hour would deliver a blow with an energy of 9,500 foot pounds. Such a flat spot would be produced by wearing off less than five one-hundredths of an inch of metal.—Scientific American.

The Atmosphere of Mars.

Professor Percival Lowell, the astronomer, says that the assistants at his observatory at Flagstaff, Ariz., have been able to determine that there is measurable water vapor on the planet Mars and that the atmosphere of Mars affects the spectrum in the same way, though only one-fifth as much, as does the earth's atmosphere. There has been much controversy with reference to the atmosphere of Mars and its qualities. Those scientists who disbelieve in any life on the planet have known that their point could be proved if the absence of an atmosphere should be shown.

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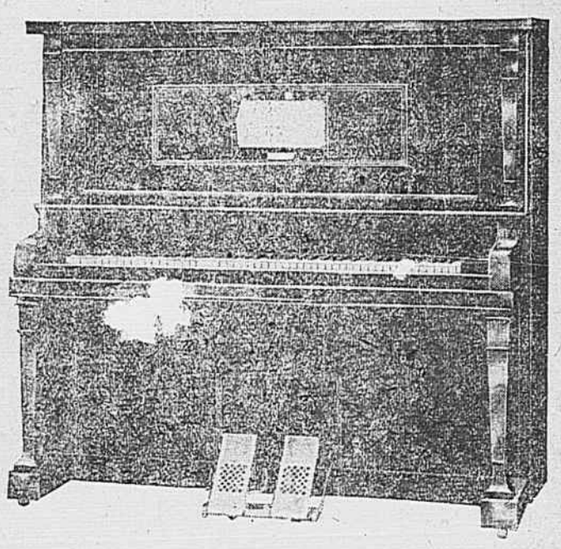

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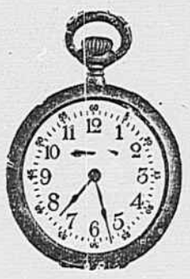

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